

II. CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising a bendable elastomeric keymat, a cover, and a substrate located within the cover comprising a plurality of key switches, wherein, said keymat comprises a plurality of lips located at and extending outward from edges of said keymat toward a rim of the cover and a plurality of pressure transmitters extending from an interior surface of the keymat, and said cover comprises a plurality of indentations configured to receive said plurality of lips, wherein the bendable elastomeric keymat comprises elastic properties and is configured so that an entirety of the bendable elastomeric ~~keypad~~ keymat bends to force the lips into the plurality of indentations on the cover to attach the edges of the keymat to the cover and said indentations are located at edges of a recess for removably mounting said keymat, the cover also includes a plurality of apertures through which the plurality of pressure transmitters pass to activate the plurality of key switches.

2. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said keymat comprises one or more guiding pieces, and said cover comprises one or more corresponding guiding recesses.

3. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said guiding pieces are arranged in direct connection to one or more of said plurality of lips.

4. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said keymat comprises one or more guiding recesses, and said cover comprises one or more corresponding guide pieces.

5. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said guiding pieces comprises one or more ribs extending to be received by said guide recesses.

6. (Previously Presented) A cover for a communication device comprising a recess for receiving an elastomeric keymat comprising a plurality of lips extending outward from edges of the elastomeric keymat, the cover further comprising a plurality of indentations located at the edges of said recess for receiving said plurality of lips and attaching the edges of the elastomeric keymat to the cover, where the plurality of indentations are configured so that when an entirety of the keymat is bent elastic properties of the elastomeric keymat force the lips into the the plurality of indentations, and a plurality of apertures through which a plurality of pressure transmitters of the elastomeric keymat pass to activate a plurality of key switches located within the cover.

7. (Original) Cover according to claim 6, further comprising one or more guiding recesses.

8. (Original) Cover according to claim 7, wherein said one or more guiding recesses are arranged in direct connection to one or more of said plurality of indentations.

9. (Original) Cover according to claim 6, further comprising one or more guiding pieces.

10. (Original) Cover according to claim 9, wherein said guiding pieces are one or more ribs on a surface of said cover facing a place where a keymat is to be mounted.

11. (Previously Presented) A bendable elastomeric keymat for removable mounting on a cover of a communication device, comprising lips located at and extending from edges of said bendable elastomeric keymat configured to extend outward toward a rim of the cover and insert into indentations of said cover, wherein the bendable elastomeric keymat comprises elastic properties and is configured so that an entirety of the bendable elastomeric ~~keypad~~ keymat bends to force the lips into the indentations on the cover to attach the edges of the elastomeric keymat to the cover, the bendable elastomeric keymat further comprising a plurality of pressure transmitters

extending from an interior surface of the elastomeric keymat configured to pass through apertures of the cover and to activate key switches located within the cover.

12. (Original) Keymat according to claim 11, further comprising one or more guiding pieces.

13. (Original) Keymat according to claim 12, wherein said guiding pieces are arranged in direct connection to one or more of said plurality of lips.

14. (Original) Keymat according to claim 11, further comprising one or more guiding recesses.

15. (Original) Keymat according to claim 14, wherein said one or more guiding recesses are an incision in a surface that is to be in contact with said cover when mounted on said cover.

16. (Original) Keymat according to claim 11, being moulded in one piece.

17. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

bending an entirety of a bendable elastomeric ~~keypad~~ keymat; and

inserting the bendable elastomeric ~~keypad~~ keymat into a recess of a cover of a communication device, where elastic properties of the bendable elastomeric ~~keypad~~ keymat force a plurality of lips on the ~~keypad~~ keymat into corresponding indentations of the recess for removably securing the ~~keypad~~ keymat in the recess.

18. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 17, further comprising inserting one or more guiding pieces of the keymat into one or more corresponding guiding recesses of the cover.

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19. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 17, further comprising inserting one or more guide pieces of the cover into one or more corresponding guiding recesses of the keymat.